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DOUG DAIGNEAULT WINS NUMBER 400

Heading into his 19th season of coaching university basketball at Loyola and Concordia, Doug Daigneault needed just 4 wins to reach a milestone 400 career victories. On November 9th at McGill University he achieved this splendid accomplishment as his Stingers beat the powerful York Yeomen 93-72. The Stingers had been beaten the night before 80-79 in overtime by the St. Mary's Huskies in the opening round of the McGill Invitational Tournament, and the prospect of beating always tough York made it seem that the 400th win would be elusive. However, the Stingers put together their finest performance of the season behind the 28 point performance of Craig Norman and the 27 point contribution of Biagio Caresse to blow York away.

The Stingers followed up with a win over McGill to capture the tournament and followed up with three wins in the Toronto Invitational capturing their third straight Tournament and running their season record to 8-2.

Doug graduated from Clemson University where he was a student football player playing in the Orange, Bluebonnet and Sugar Bowl games. He played in the 1960 Grey Cup Champion Ottawa Roughriders before closing out his playing career with Winnipeg and Montreal. Doug coached both football and basketball at Loyola and Concordia giving the football job over to Skip Rochette in 1978.

Over the years Doug's team have won 9 league titles and have appeared in the Nationals on 9 occasions. His Loyola Warriors had a win streak of 66 games in the late 60's setting a record that still stands today.

Concordia Director of Athletics, Ed Enos, the man who hired Doug 19 years ago, says that "through his assiduous pursuit of excellence, unequivocal loyalty and devotion to his athletes and to the game of basketball, Doug Daigneault has made an immense contribution to the Concordia University community and sport in all of Quebec".